### 12 FUNDING SOURCES FOR YOUR ENERGY PROJECT

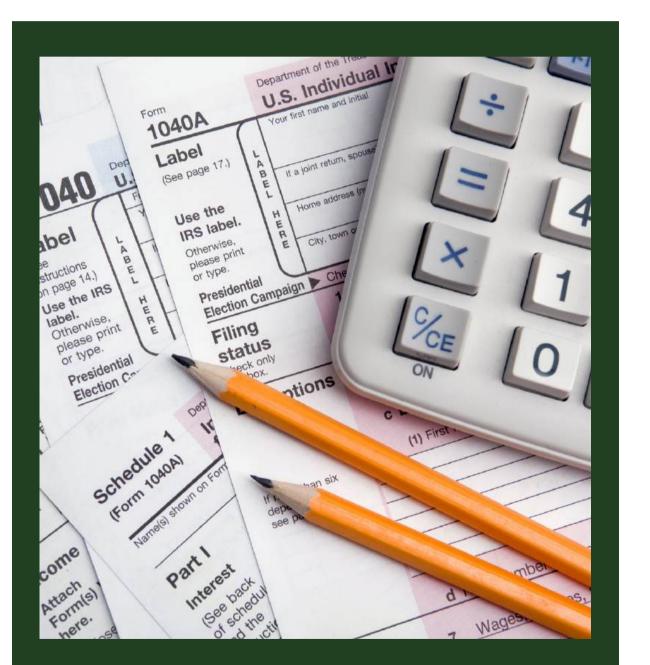








## **EPACT 179D OVERVIEW**



**Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE)** is a special assessment lien that covers 100% of property energy improvements that provides long-term, fixed rate paybacks, structured as a tax payment, passed through as an operating expense.

- Enacted under the Energy Policy Act of 2005
- - project scope
  - per year)
  - Deductions capped at project cost
- EPAct 179D for Design Firms

  - build firms, systems designers

• Tax Deduction for Lighting, HVAC, Building Envelope Projects • Deduction level depends on building energy efficiency and

• Deduction level up to \$5.65 per square foot in 2024 (varies)

• Designers can take the deduction for tax exempt buildings • Design firms include architects, engineers, ESCOs, design &

## **EPAct 179D Deduction Levels**

<b>\$ 0.57 – 1.13</b>	<b>\$ 2.83 -</b>
Per Square Foot	Per Squa
No Prevailing Wage +	Prevailing
Apprenticeship	Apprent
<i>AND</i>	OF
Installation Starts After	Installation S <sup>-</sup>
1/28/2023	1/29/2

\* 2024 Deduction Levels Above

\* Deduction level increases annually with inflation adjustment

- 5.65 re Foot

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Starts Before 2023





### **EPAct 179D Deduction for Commercial Buildings**

#### • EPAct 179D is tax deduction in-lieu of depreciation

• Must have depreciable tax basis in building's lighting/HVAC/envelope to utilize

#### • Commercial Building Projects Completed 1/1/2006-Present Eligible

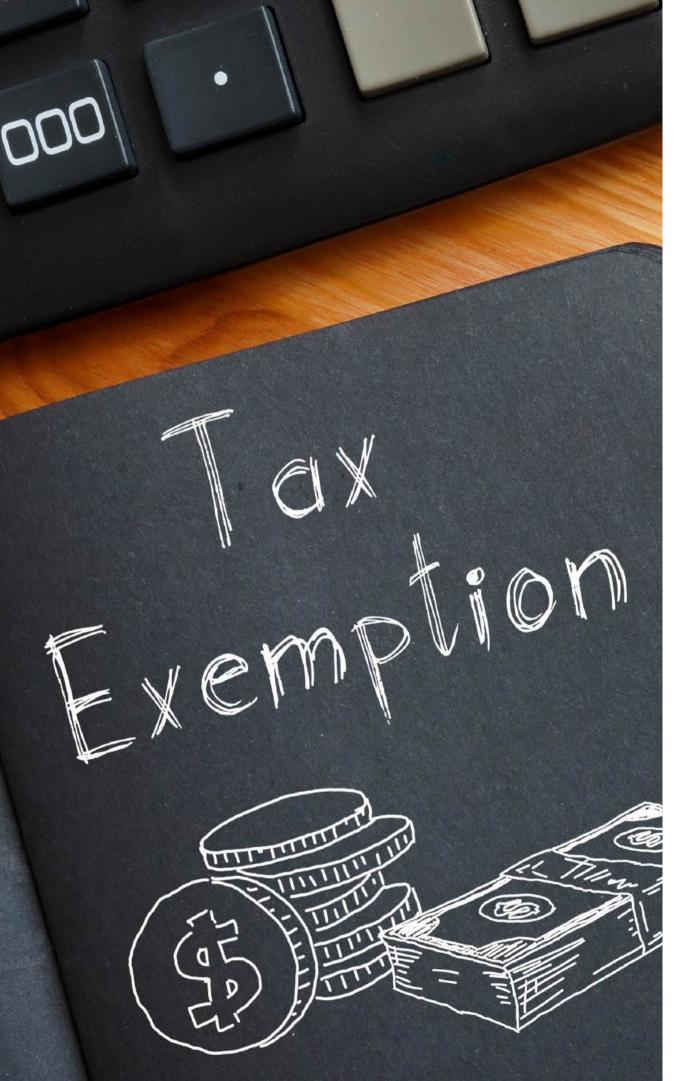
- Commercial building owners can take prior-year missed deductions without amending
- Deduction level differs in prior years

#### • Commercial New Construction and Apartments (>3 stories) can benefit

#### Most Commercial Nonresidential Building Retrofits <u>Don't Need 179D</u>

- TCJA of 2017 allows for immediate tax deduction/write-off of building improvements
- Combination of Qualified Improvement property (QIP), Bonus, Repair Regs & section 179
- Residential buildings (ie., apartment buildings) do not get these TCJA benefits
- New construction commercial buildings do not get the TCJA benefits





### EPAct 179D Deduction for **Designers of Tax-Exempt Entities**

### Government Buildings:

#### • Federal

• Offices, military bases, courthouses, post office, labs

- <u>State</u>
- <u>County, City, Town, Village etc.</u>
  - garages

#### • Not-for-Profits

• Hospitals, religious institutions, private schools and universities, etc.

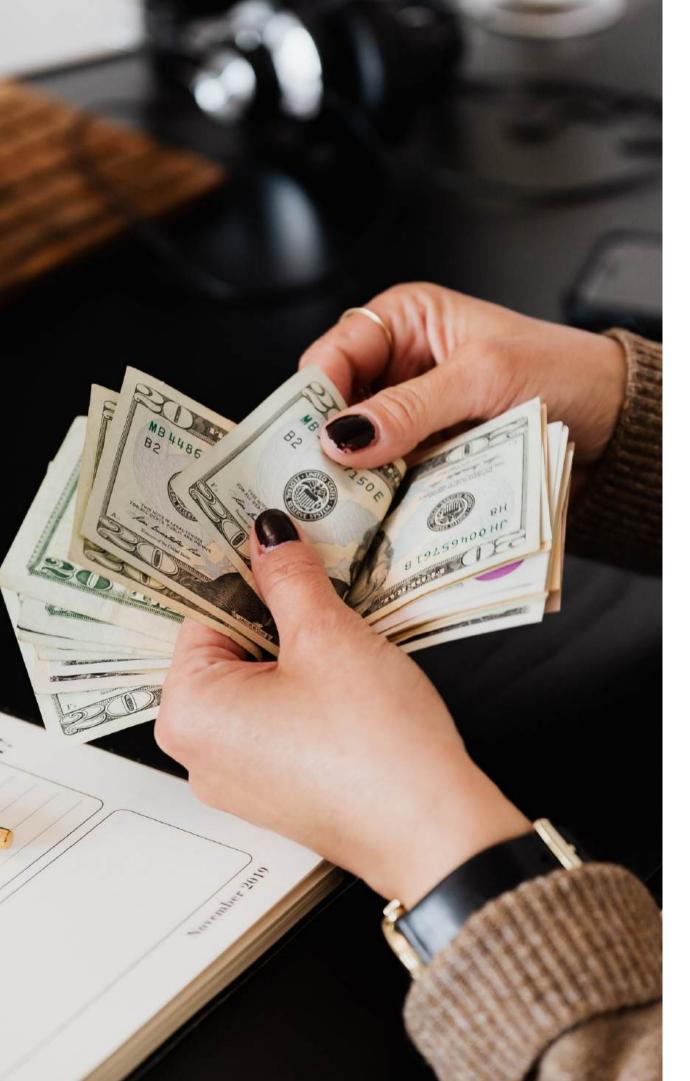
### **Tribal Government**

Police/Fire, Community Centers, Retail, Hospitality, etc.



Offices, transportation facilities, state universities, courthouses

• Offices, K-12 public schools, town halls, police, fire, libraries, municipal parking



### How to Monetize 179D Two things need to occur to monetize EPAct 179D : **1. Building project related to lighting, HVAC, and/or envelope:**

- Lighting installation
- HVAC installation
- Roof installation
- Windows installation
- Lighting/HVAC controls installation

### 2. The building needs to meet energy efficiency targets

- (25%+ better)
- (for retrofits)



ASHRAE 90.1-2007 standard for 2016-2026 completed projects

ASHRAE 90.1-2019 for projects completed 2027 and later Prior building energy usage baseline standard using EUI method





Total Deduction:	
HVAC Technologies:	( Variab
Lighting Technologies:	LE
Square Footage:	

**Energy Tax Savers**<sup>•</sup> The EPAct 179D Experts

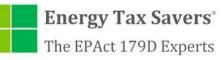
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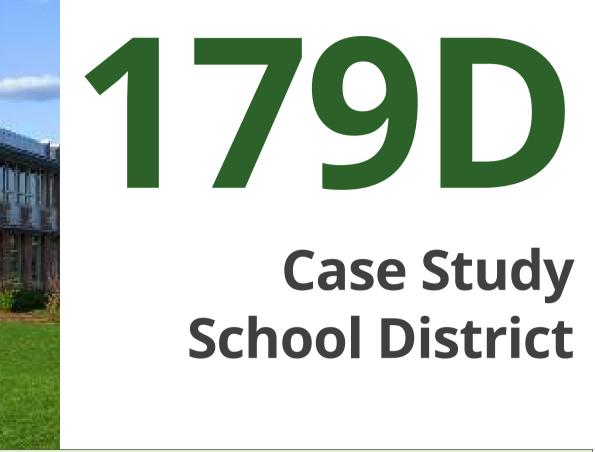
ED with Controls

Cooling Tower ble Frequency Drive

### \$450,000







#### 650,000

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#### LED with Controls

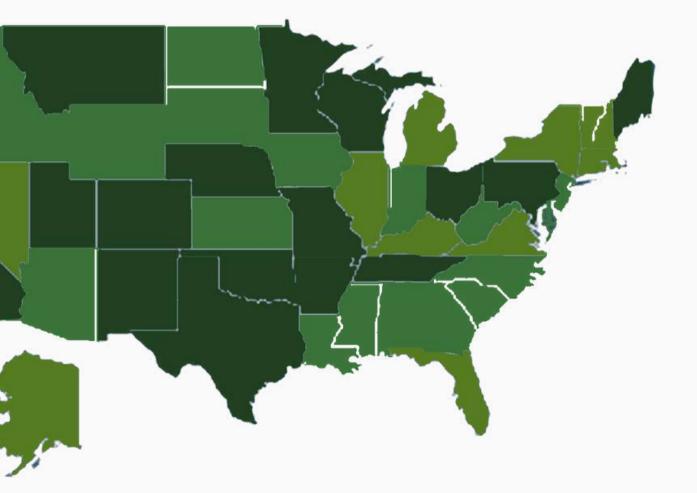
Variable Air Volume Demand Controlled Ventilation

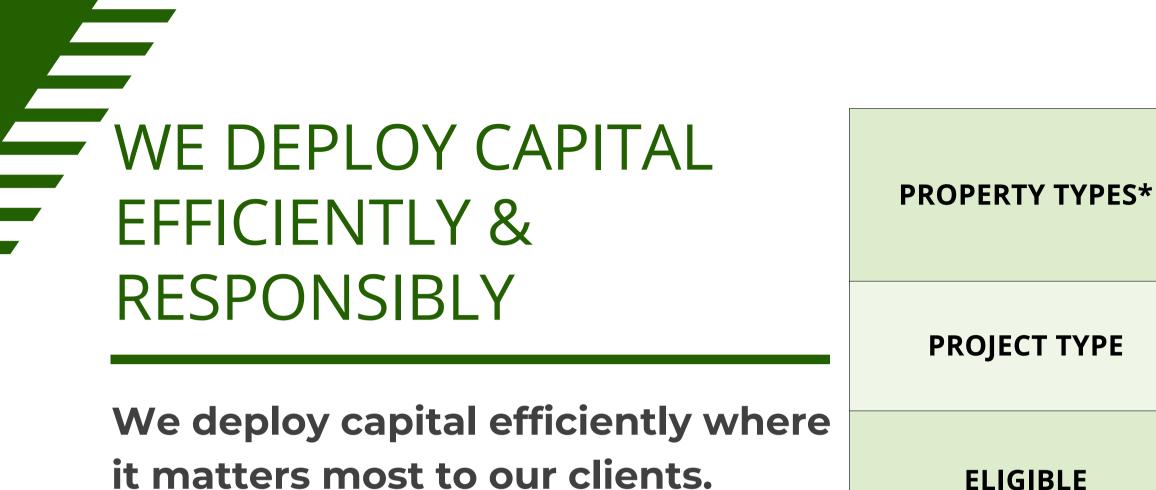
#### \$ 3,484,000

### WHAT IS C-PACE FINANCING?

**Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy** (C-PACE) is a special assessment lien that covers 100% of property energy improvements that provides long-term, fixed rate paybacks, structured as a tax payment, passed through as an operating expense

- Covers 100% of eligible improvements and self amortizes over the loan term (20-30 years).
- Secured and repaid by a special assessment attached to the property.
- Generally contributes 20-30% of a property's value or project cost.
- Is legislated on a state-by-state basis.





- Non-recourse, fixed-rate financing available for all asset classes.
- Originally conceived for renovations, energy and water conservation, and weather retrofits.
- Perfect fit for capital stacks for new construction/gut rehab deals.

PROJECT TYPE
ELIGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS
LOAN TERM
MAXIMUM LEVERAGE
PREPAYMENT

Multifamily, Industrial, Retail, Hospitality, Senior Living, Office, Self-Storage and Mixed Use

Gut rehab, adaptive reuse, ground up construction, and renovation

Energy efficiency, renewable energy, water conservation, flood mitigation\*\*, solar, and seismic retrofit

20 30 years, location specific

35% of appraised value, location specific

No lockout but subject to prepayment penalties

# **C-PACE INCREASES** DEVELOPER RETURNS

As specialty financing, C-PACE can be applied to increase developer returns and juice IRRs. PACE Loan Group uses our expertise and creativity to secure the max C-PACE loan that will work within your capital stack.

Supplement Highly Structured Deals

### Substitue Senior Debt

**Recapture Capital** Retroactively

### THE CASE FOR C-PACE IN YOUR CAPITAL STACK

#### • Hybrid Equity:

Provides a long-term, fixed-rate payback period.

#### • Lowers Cost of Funds:

Originated at a fraction of the cost of mezzanine debt EQUITY

#### • Pass Through Expense:

C-PACE is structured as a tax payment and can be passed through as an operating expense on net leases.

#### • Cash Flow Positive:

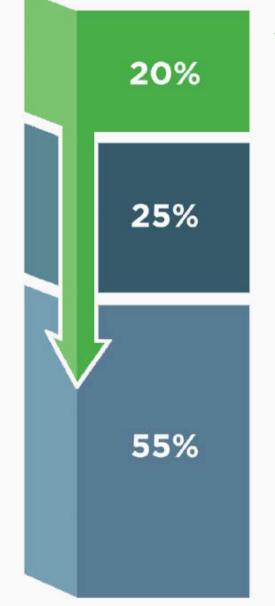
Reduced utilities and operating expenses often outweigh the annual C-PACE interest payments.

#### • Promotes Efficiency and Renewable Energy:

C-PACE facilitates energy efficient/renewable energy projects which may otherwise be cost prohibitive.

SENIOR DEBT





#### WITH C-PACE

C-PACE financing can reduce expensive mortgage debt and eliminate mezzanine debt from your capital stack.

#### C-PACE IS A COST OF CAPITAL REDUCER

# LENDER CONSENT

To date, over 300 national, regional, and local enders have consented to C-PACE financing. Historically, the most accepting senior lenders have been regional and local banks. Consent is given on a case-by-case basis.

### WHY DO SENIOR LENDERS CONSENT?

- C-PACE assessments cannot be accelerated.
- C-PACE does not restrict a senior lender& foreclosure rights.
- Senior lenders may escrow the payments.
- C-PACE funds are fully available as of date of closing.







## **Us bank**

IPMORGAN CHASE & CO

**BANK OF AMERICA** 



## (A) Huntington

### **INFINITI LOFTS**

C-PACE was used to finance this hotel to attainable workforce housing conversion near Disney World. This is the largest C-PACE conversion financing in Central Florida.

Key Fact: Blended down expensive senior debt.

LOCATION	Orlando, FL
ASSET TYPE	Multifamily
PROJECT TYPE	Adaptive Reuse
LOAN TERM	30 Years
C-PACE LOAN AMOUNT	\$13,825,000
MEASURES	Building Envelope LED Lighting HVAC Systems Domestic Hot Water Water Fixtures

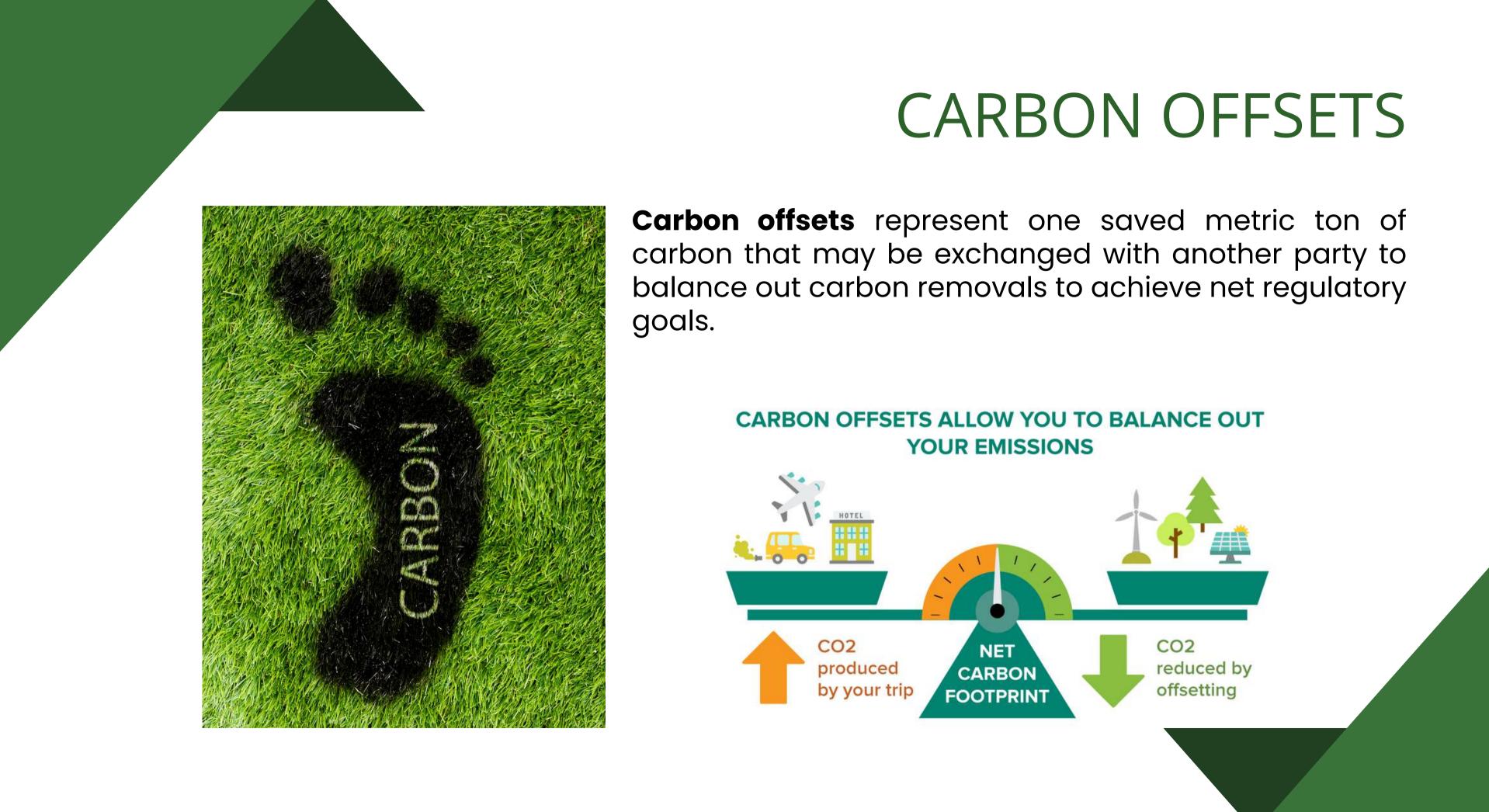


### RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS (RECS)

**Renewable Energy Credits (RECs)** are are green certificates for solar or wind power that offset fossil fuel electricity to help comply with local regulations.











### NYSERDA

Nyserda drives solar, wind and renewable initiatives to transform state energy infrastructure away from fossil fuels, featuring several opportunities for existing properties to lower monthly energy costs.

### NYCEEC

**NYCEEC** is a 501(c) nonprofit that provides capital to decarbonizing low-moderate income communities and has mobilized over \$450 million since 2011.







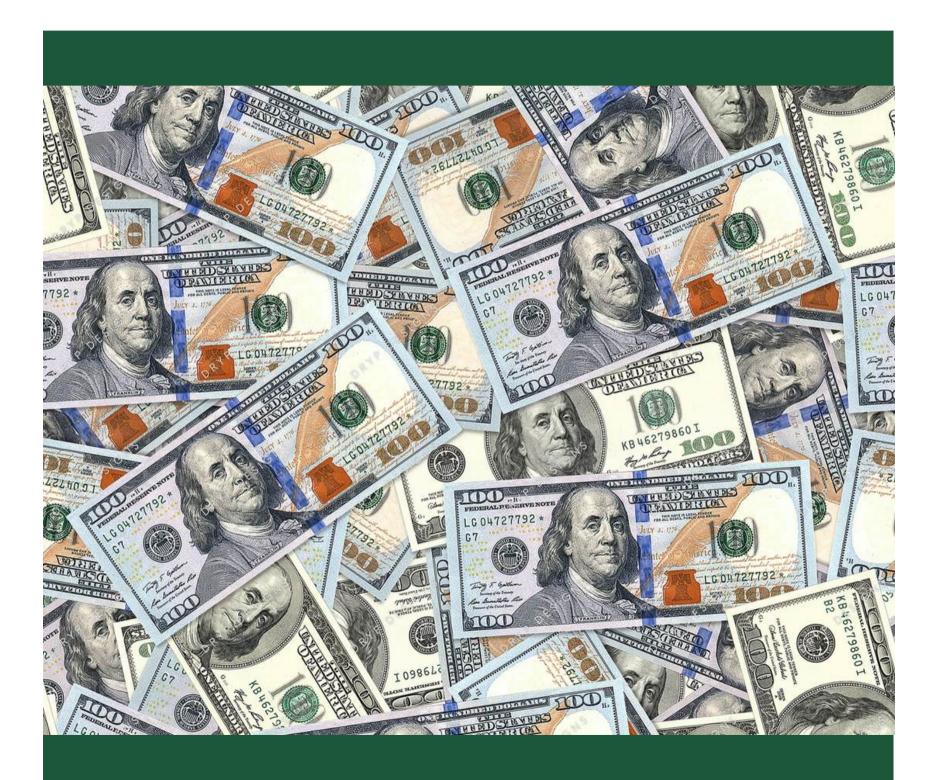
Utility incentives should be routinely used to offset capital costs of every equipment replacement project.



## **UTILITY INCENTIVES**

### PRIVATE CAPITAL

**Private capital** is an attractive funding source after several other sources with lower rates have been investigated.



### **MORTGAGE LOANS**

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Mortgage Loan Application Form

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Liens

Construction

Property (attach description if necessa

(street, city, state & ZIP)

I. TYPE OF MORTGAGE AND TERMS OF LOA

I. PROPERTY INFORMATION AND PURPOSE OF LOAN

Other (explain):

(a) Present Value of Lot

se of Refinance

property will be:

Primary Residence

(b) Cost of Improvements

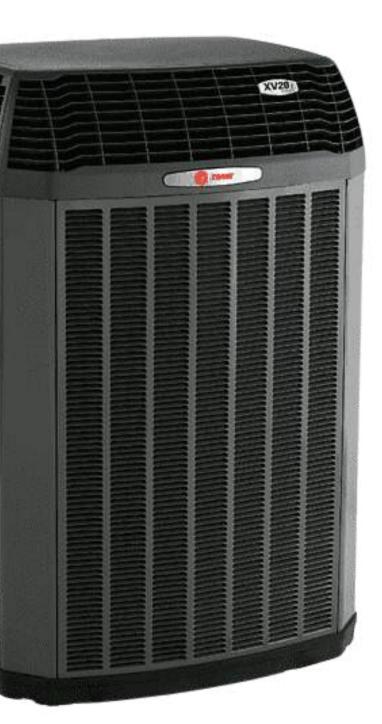
Describe Improvem

Cost \$ will be held

Mortgage loans are ideal when refinancing is imminent and help to provide low rates and long loan periods to fund capital intensive energy projects.

### EQUIPMENT LEASES

**Equipment leases** provide financing that offset large capital expenses, to provide needed equipment for an agreed period of time.



## **DEVELOPMENT SHORT-TERM FINANCING**



**Development short-term financing** is typically used for studies and reports to reduce out-of-pocket expenses, to help jumpstart projects.

## TURNKEY SOLUTIONS

**Turnkey solutions** often require no upfront costs using Energy Service Agreements or Power Purchase Agreements to fund energy retrofit projects.





### MOST FORGOTTEN ENERGY LOCAL LAW 88

## WEBINAR

### FEBRUARY 27TH, TUESDAY, 2PM

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83877024064? pwd=UnpqT0wvdWdpOHQySmV5NGd5VDIUZz09



# Questions?





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